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3 May 1949

1. Communist troops assembling in the Soochow area include some from Kiangsu Province who have joined the Communist army within the last week. These troops are poorly equipped. Elements of the Communist 20 Army with heavy artillery are in the eastern section of Soochow. A large Communist hospital has been established in the Soochow area.

5 May 1949

 Elements of Communist General CHEN Yi's 25, 27 and 30 Armies occupied Hangchow on 5 May. These elements include Nationalist police and troops which defected at Hangchow.

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3. The Communists crossed the Chientang River and occupied the Hsiaoshan (120-17, 30-10) railroad station, then advanced to the outskirts of Shaohsing (120-34, 30-00) from which the Nationalists plan to withdraw.

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On 6 May the Communists attempted unsuccessfully to make boat landings in the Shanghai area near moosung.

- 5. Generalissimo CHIANG Kai-shek left Shanghai for Amoy and Canton on 6 Mayor Before leaving he held a meeting of all Nationalist top military leaders in the Shanghai area, who took an oath of personal loyalty to the Generalissimo.
- 6. Members of the Nanking Nationalist police force are arriving in Shanghai. Those not in possession of weapons are forced by Shanghai Police Commissioner MAO Sen to leave the city because MAO fears that this group is Communist-infiltrated.

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- 7. Chinese Communist officials with large quantities of gold bars are now in Shanghai attempting to bribe Nationalist army, navy, airforce and police officials. MAO is pretending to do business in order to discover their intentions, and he plans to arrest them.
- 8. An attempt is being made by influential Shanghai locals to have the Nationalists fight the deciding battles for Shanghai outside the city. The new and scattered labor disputes are now being handled satisfactorily. The troops are causing some disturbance among the civilians by occasional looting, but the looters and infiltrating Communists are executed immediately after being discovered.

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Comment. Taiwan newspapers report that possibly the Generalissimo is going to Taichung, Taiwan, and that many high-ranking Chinese officials have been visiting Taichung since 5 or 7 May.

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